

VETERAN TALKS ABOUT FORREST

Salt Lake Resident, a Federal Lieutenant, Describes Real Character of Confederate.

OFTEN SHOT HIS OWN MEN

SERVICES TO STARS AND BARS SAID TO BE OVERATED.

In the following contribution, a Salt Lake resident who was a lieutenant in the civil war, gives an interesting character sketch of the Confederate General Forrest. Incidentally he mentions the late Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll, who, he says, never wanted to hurt anybody, and was so kind hearted he would rather surrender than fight on a matter of honor.

The article below was inspired by a recent narrative about Forrest which The Herald printed in the Sunday edition.

To the Salt Lake Herald.—Sir:—Nothing is more gratifying to the hearts of old soldiers than to see the deed of just praise awarded to one of their number, no matter whether that one may have been a staunch comrade or a stout opponent. The facts of his life should never be falsified under any pretext whatsoever.

That was a very readable article published in The Herald recently eulogizing the Confederate General Forrest, but on a matter of honor, there is no doubt. For example, the writer says that Grant's right wing at Donelson was driven back by Forrest. At Donelson the Confederates had but a single regiment of cavalry, Forrest's. Grant's right wing was McClernand's division, three strong brigades, and these were driven back by the stronger brigades of Pillow's Confederate division. Forrest with his little command may have been somewhere on the edge of the struggle, but the real fight was between Pillow and McClernand. Likewise it was the brigades of Lew Wallace's division that drove Pillow, and Forrest, if he was there, and Buckner, who had come from the ground, back into their works the same afternoon. It is true Forrest was not minded to surrender at Donelson. So neither were Floyd or Pillow. The former, with his own brigade of Virginians, crossed the river on a steamboat, and down the river just before daylight, and Pillow took good care to be along with his staff. Forrest, with his command, made a getaway by fording a mile or two of backwater between Wallace's right and the river, breaking the line and advancing. It was a meritorious feat and exactly in line with one pulled off by "Grimes" and Hasbrouck Davis at Harper's Ferry six months later.

Skill of Forrest. As to Forrest's skill as a soldier, he himself described it in a few brief words: "War means fight and fight means kill," and so far as could ever be learned, this was all that he ever knew or tried to learn of the science of war. He was possessed of audacity and courage without limit, and he was a killer from Killville. That with his own hand, as stated, he killed thirty-two men during the war, there is no reason to doubt, but the most, if not all of them, were men of his own command. No man ever straggled from a fight within range of Forrest's pistol and lived. He trained all his subordinate commanders along the same lines, and if any failed to live up to their training they found short shift.

That he was inordinate and impatient of the control of his superiors, is quite believable. Certain it is that he nearly always operated when he had independent command, and as a rule he was opposed by incompetent commanders who contributed their mite to swell his reputation. It was an easy thing for anybody to capture Bob Ingersoll and everything that he com-

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manded. That great infidel was anything but a sanguinary person. How he ever came to be in the military service at all is a mystery. He was opposed to hurting anybody. Every fiber of his being revolted at the thought of bloodshed, and he was ready to surrender after every meal if he need be, but to kill people—never.

At Fort Pillow Forrest assaulted and captured a weak garrison, which is proper and legitimate warfare, but after a surrender to continue the killing as long as there is anything left that is killable, is not war. There is another and uglier name for that sort of business. Upon the surrender of Fort Pillow, Forrest and his command ceased to be honorable soldiers and became, for the time being, just plain, common murderers.

The record of Fort Pillow is the blackest ever written by any part of the Confederate forces during the civil war. The next blackest committed by their officials or would-be foot friends, was the assassination of Lincoln and the story of Andersonville, Miller, Salsburg and Bell Isle. Thanks to the fair name of the American soldier, the men who made up the great bulk of the Confederate armies were not made of that sort of clay.

Forrest won a most decided and fruitful victory at Brice's Cross Roads, and he did it fair and square. Nobody will dispute that. The forces were well balanced, about 7,000 on each side, but Forrest brought the most out on the field. It would have been a disgrace to his whole command if they hadn't won that fight. His opposing commander, General Samuel S. Sturgis, probably the most incompetent officer on the whole army register, he had been shunted all over from Wilson Creek, where he succeeded Lyon on the death of that hero. Sturgis ordered retreat at Antietam. He was in command of the division of the Ninth corps that pattered away the most of a day over Burnside's bridge, and finally got over when there was no one left to deride it, and at nightfall took his share of the retreat when 2,500 of A. E. Hill's division drove the whole of Burnside's corps, 12,000 strong, pell mell from the outskirts of Sharpsburg back to the Antietam. After a while he had turned up in Tennessee, where he managed to get whipped everything he tried, and then he was dumped over onto us.

At Brice's Cross Roads he managed to get the best part of his command broken up and scattered before they could get to the river. The only marvel is that they ever put up as good a fight as they did.

Losses About Even. The losses in the fight were about even, 500 on each side, but after that Forrest got away with 1,500 prisoners and most of the material. After this fight Sturgis disappeared from among us, and nobody seemed to know what became of him. But yes, after the war I met him one day on a railroad train in Nebraska, and we talked over the events of Brice's Cross Roads. He seemed rather sore on the subject, and said it was his big mistake, that he beat him there. He knew, he said, that he was beat as soon as he saw that wagon train that he had to take along.

I did not suggest to him that if he were a wagon train such an element of weakness, he had plenty of men in his command who knew how to burn it up.

Most of the men who fought with him have always believed that the way he led his command about and then dribbled them into action in a faulty position had something to do with his trouble. As to an expedition being sent after Forrest under Wilson after the Sturgis rumpus, that part of the story is wrong.

Wilson at that time and for months after was commanding a division of cavalry in the army of the Potomac under Sheridan. There was an expedition sent out at once after Forrest, and it found him, too. It was under A. J. Smith, and consisted of two brigades of infantry. It found Forrest at Tupelo. Forrest's command then, as always, was mounted and he could accept or decline battle at will. At Tupelo he accepted and attacked, and got a jolt for his trouble. Then he made a better and fiercer attack, and got a still harder jolt. He kept the thing up all day until he had fought his command to tatters, and only gave it up when his men had no fight left in them. At Tupelo Forrest made the best fight of his whole life and covered himself and his command all over with glory, and, said to say, all the reward he got for it was a drubbing from which he never fully recovered. Somehow the story did not mention this little episode, and yet it is all a part of history, and that most unique and daring feat of all, when Forrest with cavalry captured a gunboat on the Tennessee river.

As to that story about Sherman offering to make a major general of any brigadier who would do Forrest up, that is not true. Whoever heard of that grand old general offering a reward of any kind for anybody, or making any promises that he could not perform?

Your Uncle Billy never had authority to make a major general of anybody, and he knew it. The president of the United States, with the consent of the senate, was the only authority that can do that.

Assigned to Cavalry.

By the winter of '64-65 Wilson had been assigned to command the cavalry under Thomas, and late in March, '65, after the Hood campaign, went out to break up the last of the communications of the south. True, Forrest was hanging about doing the best he could with what little strength he could muster, which was not much, after the Hood campaign, and Wilson never once did him the honor to put his command in line of battle on his account.

If Forrest got too bothersome a brigade was detached to go out and spank or chase him, but the command kept on its way. Finally Forrest, with some other fragments, tried their hand at defending Selma behind intrenchments, but they only got walked over and stomped on for getting in the way.

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LINCOLN'S BLACK BODYGUARD A STRIKING FIGURE AT REUNION

Shavers, White Haired and Nearing 75 Years, Among the Oldest Veterans.

Never dawns the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic but there is that niche in the retelling of old stories wherein the colored man, wore as the blue or the gray, finds his comrades of arms or servitude and with them lives for another week.

Six feet and better of black manhood, with whitened hair falling almost across the great shoulders that are bent and stooped until the picture is but a caricature of the strength once there—this is Shavers, colored.

The negro was Lincoln's first bodyguard after his election to the presidency and until after the breaking out of the war was with him through the day and the hours of the night when Lincoln would permit of a guard of any sort being near him.

He arrived from Colorado and it won't be hard to recognize the ebony-faced man, who was his big bodyguard for one year and advised that the encampment should not go to any city unless the department of which that city was part should be invited to the encampment. The department of the Potomac did not invite the G. A. R. and this left Salt Lake in the field practically without a competitor.

E. H. Holbrook, department commander, yesterday said that the members of his department had an excellent trip from Washington and the war was the praise of the railway people for their care of the party. He said that his department would probably vote as a unit for commander-in-chief and for the city to which the next encampment would go.

Shavers has missed scarcely a Grand Army encampment since the first one and he is winding his way about Salt Lake's streets this week in the wake of admiring colored guides, renewing old acquaintances and making new ones, as he is jealous of his distinction. Ferdinand Shavers is his full name and for years he lived in Leavenworth, Kan., later going to Colorado.

He was always at a loss to divine what kind of a service it was that Forrest was trying to perform for the Confederacy. His operations were confined mainly to northern Mississippi and Tennessee. The country was not held or sought to be held by the Confederacy. It was pretty thoroughly stripped of negro and all other labor, and produced but little of anything. For the greater part of the year it was about all that he could do to feed his own command in it. It was only after the harvests that he could gather a few wagon trains of meat and grain to send away to the main armies. This was all the good he ever did there, so far as we could see.

Forrest was a natural trooper, and with the young men of the south the cavalry was a favorite service. But the flower of the Confederate cavalry was with the armies of the east. It was there that the soldiers of the best blood of the south from the beginning to the end of the war rode behind Stuart and Hampton and the younger Lee.

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THE SEQUEL.

(Chicago News.)

Tourist—What's going on around here?

Chief Umbrella—Umph! Poor Lo have big meeting. After meeting have dog feast.

Tourist—Oh, I see. After the powwow comes the bowwow.

PUNCHERS AND COWGIRLS WORK OUT THEIR MOUNTS IN DASHING STYLE

A few of the punchers and cowgirls who are here for the wild west show, which will be given at the state fair grounds from Tuesday to Friday, inclusive, of this week, spent the Sabbath in working out their mounts. The track was in good condition and a number of unofficial records were established. One of the spectators, who held a stop-watch upon a trial heat in a ladies' relay, said that if the girls ride as fast during the regular events as they did at the track yesterday, that will be the greatest show ever seen.

Miss Lyle Roseberry, famous Texas rider, who has been here for a week with her string of horses, demonstrated conclusively to the great number of spectators who were there that she was well worthy of the title of woman champion rider of Texas. Miss Roseberry is graceful and easy in the saddle, she holds her horse with a firm, steady grip and is not afraid to apply the whip when her mount begins to behave badly, as the big black that she was riding in the first half mile did yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Nellie Pilon, who took possession of the track as soon as Miss Roseberry finished, showed that she, too, was a horsewoman. Mrs. Pilon, to the delight of all onlookers, made her mount into the saddle by a clean spring from the ground straight onto the horse's back. Some of the old riders who were present said that the feat of the girl is one of the hardest things in the riding game to acquire. Hundreds of good riders spend their life in the work without being able to do it. Mrs. Pilon performed this trick by getting her horse to help her in it. She would place her hand upon the pommel of the saddle, start the pony on a jump, and as he made his leap the force of his

Corporal Tanner Here With Department of the Potomac

The department of the Potomac of Washington, D. C., yesterday opened headquarters at 203 Wilson hotel. The members of this department arrived in a special car with the Ohio special at midnight Saturday. Yesterday they rested at their hotel and opened headquarters. To the department of the Potomac is due in a large measure the credit for bringing the Grand Army encampment to Salt Lake. When Salt Lake was selected as the site of the encampment a year ago at Toledo its principal competitor was Washington, D. C., not because the veterans of the department of the Potomac wanted the encampment, but because many of the old soldiers wished to go to Washington on the occasion of the unveiling of the old soldiers' monument at the national capital.

The inauguration of President Taft, however, came this year and preparations for that event were such that the veterans of Washington, D. C., felt that two such undertakings were too much for one year and advised that the encampment should not go to any city unless the department of which that city was part should be invited to the encampment. The department of the Potomac did not invite the G. A. R. and this left Salt Lake in the field practically without a competitor. E. H. Holbrook, department commander, yesterday said that the members of his department had an excellent trip from Washington and the war was the praise of the railway people for their care of the party. He said that his department would probably vote as a unit for commander-in-chief and for the city to which the next encampment would go.

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